Murray's face was red and his clothes

The county detectives took him fere Police Sergeant Langan. There Mr. Jerome also appeared and the charge of lisorderly conduct against Murray, which Reardon was about to press, was withdrawn. Murray withdrew his charge against Reardon but said he would proceeed against Mr. Jerome in the morning.

TAMMANYITES REJOICE. In the corridors sleepful, wild-eyed Tammanyites ran around in circles and then fled out to the nearby saloons to spread the news that the reform District Attorney had been punched. Immediately from the street came dozens of the curious and from the saloons scores. The biggest delegation was from Big Tom Foley's, across the street from the Criminal Courts building. Foley, who is the Tammany eader of the district stayed at home and listened to others tell about the scrap. In the Criminal Courts building one crowd of reputed spectators told how Mr. Jerome hit Murray and another set told how Murray hit Mr. Jerome after calling him vile names. Clerk Cuff, who is in the office of the Clerk of General Sessions, said that he was standing near Murray just before the row and that Murray called out: " Look at the crazy District Attorney, He is

## IRISH PRISONER LIKED IT.

No one paid any particular attention to the prisoners, two of whom, Contractor Shaler and Foreman Bracken, looked on in amazement. The third, McGrath, who is Irish, was plainly overjoyed and excited and in the joy of battle forgot all about his own grievance of being arrested for getting knocked down by the explosion. Suddenly the police remembered their prisoners and took them to Coroner Goldenkranz's room. Mr. Jerome came down stairs and joined Mr. Parsons. "What have you got to say?" he was

asked. "Nothing, I guess," he said with a laugh.

"Have you been arrested?" "Not that I know of," smiling and smok-

ing a cigarette. "Did you hit him?" "I didn't; he hit me."

"Some one hit him." "Some one hit him over my shoulder; I have a suspicion who it was. "What did you do to him?"

"I caught him and was about to put him under arrest for disorderly conduct. "He says you hit him."

"Maybe he thinks I did." CLERK WHO STARTED IT PROUD

Murray by this time was back in the Coroner's office, the centre of a group of admiring and excited friends and fellow employees. His face was flushed and had a lump on it. He said that the lump didn't hurt, but was evidence that he had been hit. He still had in his hand the crown of his derby hat with fragments of rim attached. "I hit the crazy District Attorney," he

said, and laughed with glee. "You bet you did, Johnny," said Clerk

Burns, "and I saw him hit you first." William Barclay Parsons and the Pistrict Attorney went away. Mr. Parsons said that he had no comment to make. Judging by the light that filled his mild face the development of affairs had not shocked him

## CORONER'S HUSTLING INQUIRY.

Persisted, Jury Disagreed With the Coroner and Recommended the Discharge of Prisoners Gathered in Haphazard -- They Were Held All the Same. Immediately upon receipt of the news

of the explosion District Attorney Jerome his homicide bureau in action and hustled to the scene of the accident. With him went Assistant District Attorneys Lord, Rand and Iselin, County Detectives Hammond, Reardon and Wooley, Secretary Hodder and Stenographer Lynch. The bureau gathered in eight witnesses and took them to Mr. Rand's office in the Criminal Courts Building, where they were examined. The proceedings were like those

verted. When Mr. Jerome recovered from the effect of this speedy movement of the machinery of the law, he spoke to the Coroner in such a pointed, indignant manper that the Coroner's jury sat down again

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He was knocked down by the explosion and laid out for fifteen minutes.

He says he was arrested because he had on his working clothes. Bracken, when he was arrested, had just reached the scene of the explosion to go to work, having laid off since Saturday night. He was employed by Shaler: Detective Sergeant Riley from Police Headquarters took Shaler to the Criminal Courts Building. Policeman Spencer from the West Thirtieth street station had in custody Bracken and McGrath. They were arrested on warrants issued by Coroner Goldenkranz. They were taken to the office of Assistant District Attorney Rand, and after being examined were taken by District Attorney Jerome to the office of Coroner Goldenkranz. The Coroner adjourned to his court room, where the District Attorney was astonished to see a jury in the box. William Barclay Parsons, the civil engineer of the Rapid Transit Commission, went to court to testify, if needed. Lawyers James A. Dunn and Cornelius Sullivan, the latter from the law firm of Nicoll, Annable & Lindsay, were in court, the former to represent Shaler and Bracken, and Mr. Sullivan to see that they secured bail. He had with him Robert A. Smith of 100 Broadway, who gave as security one of his houses, 162 West Seventy-second street.

How THE CORONER BAN THINGS.

HOW THE CORONER RAN THINGS

162 West Seventy-second street.

How the coroner ran things.

These all gathered around the District Attorney near the bench. Then the proceedings went on in this fashion:

The Coroner—Gentlemen of the jury, this is a preliminary investigation into the cause of death of persons killed in an explosion at the corner of Forty-first street and Park avenue, the Murray Hill Hotel. I will read to you the sworn statement of James R. Buckridge:

"James R. Buckridge, being duly sworn, deposes and says: I am an officer of the Nineteenth precinct, Manhattan. On this 27th day of January, 1902, I have made three arrests in connection with the tunnel explosion at Fortieth street and Fourth avenue, borough of Manhattan, which explosion occurred this 27th day of January, 1902. The men placed under arrest are as follows: Mon McGrath, Joseph Bracken and Ira A. Shaler, and are now in the above precinct held for further requisition."

I will further read to you some testimony taken by me from Mr. T. L. Jacques, son of the proprietor of the hotel. He says he belleves that there was a large amount of dynamite stored in a wooden house in front of this hotel, and three men ran out and said the place was on fire, and immediately after that the explosion took place, and the result was these injuries causing the death of three persons, and, so far as the Coroner knows.

Then name of one person, as far as we could find, was J. Roderick Robertson, and on that testimony I would like you to pass, so that the prisoners for whom I have issued a warrant, can be held in accordance with the law.

That stupp," [Evidence] says Jerome.

District Attorney Jerome—Mr. Coroner, do I understand that you ask these men

"THAT STUFF," [EVIDENCE] SAYS JEROME.

District Attorney Jerome—Mr. Coroner, do I understand that you ask these men to find a verdict on that stuff that you have read to them there, and that you are going to lock the men up on that?

The Coroner—Mr. District Attorney, I want to read to you from the Code of Criminal Procedure, Section 773, which says—And the Coroner read the section defining the duties of his office.

District Attorney Jerome—What sworn information is there here?

The Coroner—There is the sworn information. [Indicating paper].

District Attorney Jerome [After reading it]—I do not see any information that McGrath and Bracken or Shaler—that there is any probable cause to believe that they committed any crime in connection with this, your Honor.

The Coroner—I do, to this extent—District Attorney Jerome—There was an explosion, he says, and he arrested three men, but it doesn't say they had anything to do with it.

The Coroner—But these men were in charge otherwise they would not have been arrested. District Attorney Jerome—It does not say so.

The Coroner—It is presumed that they

say so. The Coroner-It is presumed that they were.
District Attorney Jerome-Well, I simply want to know If that is the method of legal postrict Attorney
want to know If that is the method of legal
procedure in this county, of course, I cannot
condescend to appear in the Coroner's court
James A. Dunn [counsel for Shaler]—1
appear here in behalf of Mr. Shaler
The Coroner—No one else will be heard

here, sir.

Mr. Dunn-I ask that your Honor proceed to the inquisition, if your Honor wishes to

take one.
The Coroner-At the proper time I will. INQUIRY AN "ABSURD PARCE."

District Attorney Jerome—Now, Mr. Coroer, let us understand this matter. Do not tus have an absurd farce like this—to bring a Jury here and not one scintilla o The information is not even certified to, your Honor, it is nothing but a paper, to begit with; it is not even certified, no evidence is sworn to there, to start with. Now, you have

given the jury a.

The Coroner-It is signed and sworn to before me, this 27th day of January, 1902, and it was sworn to before me as a matter of fact. fact.
District Attorney Jerome—Now, up to
this point, there has been no evidence. That
paper simply states that there was an accident—it does not even state whether any one
was killed, it does not state that any one was
injured, it does not state a single fact show-

of Saturday, when Assistant District Attorney Lord worked so rapidly in a murder case that his prisoner was indicted before the Coroner had a chance to sit on him.

This rapid work on the part of the District Attorney's office stirred up the Coroner's office. As a result Coroner Goldenkranz was so expeditious in his proceedings in connection with the arrest of Contractor Ira A. Shaler, Foreman Joseph Bracken and Monroe McGrath that District Attorney Jerome appeared in the Coroner's contractor Ira A. Shaler, Foreman Joseph Bracken and Monroe McGrath that District Attorney Jerome appeared in the Coroner's contract and toid ham that his conduct of matters was absurd, that he (Mr. Jeromei wouldn't as District Attorney see the law monkeyed with, and that he would warn the Coroner that he was liable for damages at evil law and criminally liable for oppression under color of judicial right.

Law HUSTLED ALONG

The Coroner I and this jury in the box by the time the prisoners reached the Criminal Courts fluiding and within five minutes after he opened court he had directed the jury to go out and bring in a word of When Mr Jerome recovered from

The toroner then directed the jury to retire, denying a request of Mr. Dunn to put Shaler on the stand to swear that to was not within eight blocks of the soci-

The Coroner holdly stuck to it that his way of running things was right, and after a long argument with Mr Jerome he sent out the jury it was not about fifteen minutes and cathe back with a recommendation to discharge the prisoners.

Lorener findenkranz thanked the jurors and armounced that he would hold the men without half. Then he and Mr Jerome had any one is dead; and I say to your florest that any one is dead; and I say to your florest that any one is dead; and I say to your florest that any one is dead; and I say to your florest that any one is dead; and I say to your florest that any one is dead; and I say to your florest that any one is dead; and I say to your florest that any one is dead; and I say to your florest that any one is dead; and I say to your florest that any one is dead; and I say to your florest that florest induces the remainer of this remainer. If your florest remains a face was pointed and marriage the purpose.

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thank you very much for your verdict, and I will hold Mr. Ira A. Shaler and Mos Motirath and Joseph Bracken to await the further action of this inquisition. They are held without bail and remanded back to the Tombs, and this jury is discharged for the present, and requested to appear here on next Tuesday Feb. 4, at 10 A. M.

District Attorney Jerome—Mr. Coroner, I beg to call your attention to another provision of law; that the inquisition must be in writing and signed by the jurors, and I notify you now that I will hold you to a strict accountability under the law if that is not done, sir. MURRAY HILL'S FRONT DEMOL-ISHED-THREE DEAD THERE.

Front Rooms Almost Incredibly Wrecked -Searcely an Inmate Unscratched and There Were 400 in the Building -Some ountability under the law it that is not does.

The Coroner—Mr. District Attorney—Mr. Stenographer [addressing the Coroner's stenographer] did you have that verdict written?

The Coroner's stenographer—I took it, with their directions, on the understanding that I draw it up and they sign it before they left.

District Attorney Jerome—Is it written Narrow Escapes -Aid Soon at Hand.

The Murray Hill Hotel was the worst sufferer by the explosion. The powder shanty which blew up was right under its windows. The front of the hotel was practically demolished. The holes where he windows were remain, but a lot of The Coroner—It will be written out and they will sign it before they leave.
District At orney Jerome—I oppose any adjournment of this inquisition on the ground that it is functus officio now and entirely at labor will be required in every window space before a sash can be fitted into it again. From the front the place looks exactly as if it had been gutted by fire, except that the stains of the smoke and water are missing. Instead there are great blots of mud, earth and mortar, which were hurled up from the platforms

istrict Attorney Jerome-Is it written

an end.
The Coroner—Well, Mr. District Attorney,
I am now sitting as a Magistrate, and I will
pass that these men, as I have said, are held
without bail to await further inquisition.

VERY LIVELY IN COURT.

NO DETAILS, SAID THE CORONER.

District Attorney Jerome—Do I understand that your commitment is going to read, "A certain degree of hornicide?"

The Coroner—I am going to commit them

The Coroner—I am going to commit them r manslaughter. District Attorney Jerome—In which degree, r, and under which section? The Coroner—I hardly think it is necessary to be coroner—I hardly think it is necessary to be considered that the section of the coroner—It must be specifically and the coroner—It must be specifically a

fied in the commitment.

The Coroner—I refuse to. These proceedings are at an end and this court is adjourned with regard to this inquest until 10 o'clock on Tuesday, Feb. 4, 1902.

Mr. Dunn—I make a motion——
The Coroner—Clear the court.

VIEWS OF ONE PRISONER.

He left the bench. Clerk Murray took it upon himself to clear the place. Trouble ensued. McGrath said that he was getting his dinner pail from a box when the ex-

plosion occurred.

"Begorra," said he, "I didn't know what happened for fifteen minutes whin some wan found me and brung a doctor. He give me something in my mouth and I wasn't hurt at all, but they cut open the lig av me pants an' let me go. I got on a sixt' avenoo car and a cop arristed me at Thirtieth street, I guess because I looked as if I had been in the explosion."

DISTRICT ATTORNEY S INQUIRT

Assistant District Attorney Rand was

BELATED PRISONER TAKEN.

Andrew Murray, a laborer employed in the tunnel, was arrested last night at

Fort George by Detective

his home in Fort George by Defective Sergeant Mullin, acting under orders from District Attorney Jerome and was locked up in the Tenderloin police station. It was said that he had carried some dynamite into the powderhouse which blew up. In the police station he admitted having carried twenty sticks of the explosive to the powderhouse.

He is held as a "suspicious persoh," but is wanted mainly as a witness.

Doughly said that he came to town with

There were 500 persons on the hotel registers. The managers of the hotel think there were 400 persons, including employees, in the house when the explosion occurred. There were a great many persons in the halls and in the office. One man at any rate was at the front door. He was J. C. Gilchrist of Cleveland.

District Attorney Jerome—I notify you, Mr. Coroner, as District Attorney of this county, that you are guilty of oppression, and that you are guilty of violating several sections of the Penal Code, if you hold these men without any evidence at all as a Magistrate, and that your functions as a Magistrate do not arise until the inquisition is laid before you, signed—written and signed. I have to test the validity of these proceedings—The Coroner—I accept that challenge, Mr. District Attorney, and I still maintain my position. Mr. Gilchrist was on his way downtown District Attorney Jerome—These men are committed without ball?
The Coroner—Yes, sir.
District Attorney Jerome—Then I protest, sir, as District Attorney of this county against the action of the Coroner in committing these men without any evidence and without ball. in a good deal of a hurry to keep an engagement. As he stepped from the steps of the hotel to the sidewalk he was met by a workman who waved his arms and "Blast!"

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The Coroner—I am sorry to see you protest that way, Mr. District Attorney, but that is the stand I am going to take.

District Attorney Jerome—What is the crime charged against them, sir? There is only one case in which a man is not entitled ball, and that is murder in the first degree, and then that is discretionery.

The Coroner—Well, if it will so please your Honor, Mr. District Attorney, I will, if that will at all appease your anger, I will commit these men under \$10,000 ball each.

District Attorney Jerome—For what crime, sir? "Oh, I'm not afraid of the blast," said Mr. Gilchrist, "I like 'em. Get out of my way." The man continued to wave his arms and shout and Mr. Gilchrist saw that other laborers were hurrying up the hill toward Fortieth street, so he changed his mind and stepped back to the landing at the foot of the stairs which led up to the office floor. Here he waited, as he said afterward, until there had been time for a dozen blasts to be set off. Then he started forward. The Coroner—For being instrumental in using the death of J. Roderick Robertson

The Coroner—For being instrumental in causing the death of J. Hoderick Robertson and others.

District Attorney Jerome—"Instrumental" is no crime known to the law. I must know whether I am to oppose a motion or not. They are here prepared to give ball, sir, their counsel instructs me, and I must know whether I should oppose it or not, and I cannot oppose or consent until I know the crime.

The Coroner—Well, it is a certain degree of homicide.

District Atterney Jerome—A man cannot be committed for "a certain degree of homicide." The crime must be specified in the commitment, or the warden has no authority to receive them, and I will so instruct him.

The Coroner—You may, if you please, sir.

NO DETAILS, SAID THE CORONER. He was stopped by a deep boom and heavy concussion. With the reflection that he had wasted a lot of time waiting for that heavy, though harmless explosion, he took about half a step and was thrown off his feet. He lay on the floor with a vague idea that the building had tumbled Then glass fell on him and he was sure the building had tumbled in. When he picked himself up and ran up the stairs, his face was cut with glass in five or six places and his nose had been nearly cut

the surgeons got through with him he said: "I wish when you folks are going to set off a blast in this town you would say when. If I had gone about my business when that first warning came, I could have kept my engagement. I am going down to the Waldorf-Astoria now. I don't like this neighborhood any move.

MANAGER STAVED OFF PANIC. Wash L. Jaques, the lessee and manager of the hotel, was in his private office with H. H. Brockway of the Ashland House, his most intimate friend, and another friend. Mr. Jaques has had lately a great deal of sickness and trouble, including a stroke of paralysis and the death of a daughter. He has not been strong enough to attend to his duties really, but has insisted in staying at his desk while he was daughter. He has not deen strong enough to attend to his duties really, but has insisted in staying at his desk while he was able to be out of bed. He and Mr. Brockway rushed out of the office and made their way over the tangle of office stools and through the negro hall boys, who were all running around half distracted and magning navers and cries for help. and mingling prayers and cries for help.

By this time a crowd of guests of the hotel, all more or less cut and injured, and every one at the height of excitement and fear, came rushing down the stairs. Mr. Jaques, with Mr. Brockway and the room clerk. Thomas B. O'Brien, went to the head of the stairs and began shout-Assistant District Attorney Rand was asked last night what conclusion had been reached after his investigation.

"We have examined eight witnesses," said he, "and have been unable to find any one responsible for the explosion." He refused to go into further detail or to say who were the witnesses.

ing:
It's all over. You can't get hurt now if you go slowly to the side entrance on the left and go out slowly. Slowly every-

The invariable idiot who is always on the scene of such accidents made their work harder by screaming "Fire!" from the upper stories, as he came leaping down the stairs. A bell boy was sent up to choke him if he refused to stop yelling. He was intercepted and stopped. There was no

was said that he had carried some dynamite into the powderhouse which here up. In the police station he admitted having carried twenty sticks of the explosive to the powderhouse.

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SCHOOLBOY KILLED.

The Had Come Here to Have a Broken Arm Set and Went to Murray Hill Hotel.

The body of a boy lay at the Morgue unidentified until 6 o'clock last night when James A. Denghty of Torrington, Conn., went to the Morgue and recognized it as that of Lawrence A. Hine, 20 years old, a pehoolboy whose home was at Torrington.

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perhoelboy whose home was at Torrington. Designly said that he came to town with the boy yesterday. Two other men and a woman came with the party. Young fine a few weeks ago broke his arm in an accident at Ancona. Conn., where he was attending the Hotchikes Academy. Dreparing to enter Yale College. Yesterday merning he arrived in New York intending to have his fractured ann attended to in Ficwer Hospital. The party with him left him at the Grand Central Station, intending to do some elopping, agreeing to meet him later in the day after he had his arm attended to. Young Hime said he would go to the Marray Hill Hotel for dimear before going to the hospital it was white he was in the diming room of the fedot that the explosion occurred His friends did their elopping and were on their way to meet him when they read in the afternose papers a discription of the dead bay at the Morgue. They hurried the act of the induffication followed. My Bought's and that Hine's parents were the act the induffication followed. My Bought's and that Hine's parents were through and ship it to Torrington to the feet health and being followed that the explosion occurred the industry and that the fine's parents were the only son of A T Hine, superinteractions of the test himself the feet had been thought and the act of the son the state of the industry of the feet had been the opinion of the feet himself the state in the state of the industry of the feet had been the opinion of the feet himself the state of the industry of the feet himself the state of the industry of the feet himself the state of the industry of the feet himself the state of the industry of the feet himself the state of the industry of the feet himself and the act of the feet himself the state of the industry of the feet himself and the act of the feet himself the state of the industry of the feet himself and the act of the feet himself the state of the

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one of them escaped in jury. James Carr, a waiter, was hurt in the cafe, so that he died in the Presbyterian Hospital later, and Cyrus Adams, the manager of the cigar counter, was buried under rock and broken glass, and killed by a piece of glass that struck him in the neck as though it had been the weapon of an executioner. The Hine boy was also killed in the restaurant.

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Everybody who had been in the basement of the hotel came out trembling and incoherent, whether he had been hurt or not. The story was told of one group of four men who were sitting at a table drinking. A long spear of glass half an inch thick came singing through the air and stuck upright in the top of the table. It was driven into the wood for three inches of its length and quivered before them while the crashing and thundering went on all around. Varying Estimates of Amount of Explosive on Hand-Negro in Charge Says 600 Pounds-Law Allows Only 62 Pounds -Caught From Burning Paper. District Attorney Jerome discovered at

2 o'clock yesterday afternoon that the only man who could tell accurately how the explosion happened was Moses Epps, the colored man who was in charge of the powder shanty on the street surface on ROBERTSON CHOSE ROOM HE WAS KILLED IN.

As soon as Mr. Jacques had cared for his wounded guests as well as he might he verified the reports of his men that there was nobody left in the front part of the house on the upper floors and took steps to have the body of Mr. Robertson, the mining engineer, cared for.

Mr. Robertson had been particular about having a main floor room because of his great size. He said that he hated to crowd the elevators and that he would not walk upstairs under any circumstances. The hotal folls want to some trouble to give the west side of the Park avenue tunnel. just south of Forty-first street and near the guard fence of the street railroad subway. The shanty stood on the spot where now is the great pit in the avenue. The District Attorney got his information from the men already under arrest in the Tenderloin precinct, and he asked Capt. Titus

ROBERTSON CHOSE ROOM HE WAS KILLED IN

HOTEL STRUCTURE INTACT.

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of the Detective Bureau to find Epps. Epps was found at Flower Hospital by upstairs under any circumstances. The hotel folks went to some trouble to give him Parlor M on the northeast corner of the hotel and he had been comfortably established there but a few moments when Detective Sergeant Brady, who placed him the crash came.

The room was more exposed to the full force of the explosion than any other room in the house. Everything in it except the clothing, the mattress of the bed and the pillows was broken to small bits.

long talk with Epps. Epps told him that The hotel people found themselves over-whelmed soon after the accident by friends of people who had been guests of the house. there were thirteen boxes containing from fifty to seventy-five cartridges of blasting They, therefore, requested that a police guard be set at the side door. The front door was blocked with great chuncks of stone, which had been hurled there by the gelatine, and that there was in all about six hundred pounds of the explosive [The amount is disputed.] The shanty was explosion. Two policemen were stationed there, who turned away everybody who was not recognized as a guest by one of the clerks. Inquirers were allowed to send in cards to the people in whom they lighted by a candle in a small lantern, which had been placed on a shelf above where the explosives were stored. According to Epps's story the lantern was jarred as a blast went off in the tunnel and fell to were interested.

These regulations gave rise to a yarn that the building had been declared unsafe, which was exactly contrary to the truth. A careful search of the foundations and the supports of the house by the Building Department showed that despite the terrific damage done to the face of the building, there had been no damage to the support of the structure. Its framework is as the floor. The candle rolled out and ignited some paper which was near the dynamite.

Epps says that the paper ignited so rapidly he did not have time to stamp it out and went outside of the shanty for a pail of water which he threw on the flames. This did not extinguish the fire and he rushed out for another pail. He was about to reënter the shanty when he saw that the flames had reached the dynamite. To rapidly he did not have time to stamp it port of the structure. Its framework is as strong as it was before the explosion, in the opinion of the Building Department. There were two Roman Catholic priests on the main floor of the hotel when the crash came. They remained all the afternoon comforting the frightened and the distressed of all creeds. One of them, Father Ryan, had been thrown on his face and had been cut about the face and hands. the flames had reached the dynamite. To save his own life he dropped the pail and ran. He had only gone a few feet when the explosion came and he was knocked down. He was picked up by a doctor from and had been cut about the face and hands, but he refused attention from the surgeons so long as there was a single bloody face or hand waiting to be bandaged. The other priest, Father Sheedy, was not hurt. Flower Hospital and taken there in the ambulance.

NOT MUCH DYNAMITE THERE, SAYS PARSONS. William Barclay Parsons, chief engineer of the Rapid Transit road, said last night PANIC IN EYE AND EAR HOSPITAL. that he had not as yet made even a preliminary investigation of the accident, but said that it was his intention to begin one this morning. When this was completed he will make a report based on what The Manhattan Eye and Ear Hospital he had found out to the Rapid Transit fo "As soon as I heard of the accident," said

tine exploded. It was badly wrecked by Mr. Parsons last night, "I went at once to the force of the explosion, but despite this the scene. I found that the work of rethere were but six persons injured there and they were only slightly hurt. Not a storing traffic was the first to be dealt with, and that is practically all I undertook this window in the institution was left unafternoon. Of course I had a talk with shattered and inside every bit of glass was Mr. McDonald and others, but before I smashed, ceilings were loosened so that the plaster fell everywhere, doors were make an investigation myself I do not care torn from the hinges and walls were bent to make much of a statement. I will say this, however, that all these stories of vast quantities of dynamite being stored in the tunnel that people did not know anything There was a panic among the inmates of about are untrue. In the first place, the the place, especially among the blind, of rule has been adopted in the work on the whom there were almost sixty. These blind subway of having only the amount of dynamite needed for a day's operations men and women were seated around the vardynamite needed for a day's operations dynamite needed for a day's operations of the building, the crashing of glass and the shricks of agony and alarm that came right after the first shock sent them into a panic. The orderlies in the hospital were pretty badly seared for a while, but as soon as they recovered their wits they went after the blind patients who were running hither and thither and screaming for help. One or two of them, under the impression that the noise and din signalled the approach of the end of the world, fell "I don't care to go into figures regarding". ious floors in the front of the hospital when

for help. One or two of them, under the impression that the noise and din signalled the approach of the end of the world, fell on their knees crying out their prayers in broken voices, and it was with the greatest introduced to the end of the world, fell on their knees crying out their prayers in broken voices, and it was with the greatest introduced to the amount of dynamite until I have introduced to the amount of dynamite until I have introduced to the amount of dynamite until I have introduced to the state of the most and taken over into the hospital annex, where the damage was not so great.

The women nurses showed remarkable presence of mind, Miss Moore as she work despite the fact that all three of them had been cut by falling glass. The entire skylight had fallen on Miss Moore as she was going up sairs between the first and second floors and in addition to being cut in a number of places she had sustained some painful bruises. But with the others she stuck to her work and did her full duty by the blind who were in her charge.

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In the mount of dynamite until I have introduced in the amount of dynamite remained, and in the transmited to all three open and there was nothing to take the force of it up, as in the case of dynamite set off in rock, where its force is specified by the blind who were in her charge.

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Dr James Sage, of the hospital, who was quite badly cut by falling glass, told an interesting story of his experiences. He had a patient in the operating room on the first floor at 12 o'clock and was just about to legin work when the explosion sent him flying against the wail and doubled his patient up in a heap on the floor. 'I don't know how I failed to put that man's eye out,' said Dr Sage, afterward.' He had just got comfortably seated in a chair and I was leaning over him with an instrument which I was to work on his eye with. The next thing I knew I was thrown across the room and there came the most dynamite to cause a tremendous shock under those conditions, and from the force of the shock yesterday people at once jumped to the conclusion that tons of dynamite had exploded, which, as I have said,

mite had exploded, which, as I have said, is untrue.

I think when we get right down to bottom facts it will be found that this is not the fault of any one in particular, but a happening hardly expected to be foreseen. I want to say right here that I consider Mr. Shaher the most competent and most curreful man we have on the entire work of the subway. As far as sauthor goes, I have had to laugh sometimes myself at some of the presentions he has taken. Knowing that of him from my own observations. I tool very confident that he has done all in his power all that was removingly to the part of the work. Mr. Shaher this part of the work. Mr. Shaher did the work of the Metropolitan street Bankway company under Mr. Crimmins's contends and is a main of vast experience. The accordant is well have been fortunated in the less accordant we have been fortunated the largest shake have land, considering the integer land and some otherwise the sangest shake have land. with. The next thing I knew I was thrown across the room and there came the most terrific noise I ever heard in my life.

'I heard things crashing everywhere and I certainly expected the building to fall in with me. My instrument went somewhere. I'm sure I don't know where I haven't been able to find it since. It took me an hour or so after I got my with back again to get the glass out of my sair. I had my injuries dressed and then it become if no me to find out what had become if my patient. I hadn't asen him since he felt in a heap on the floor, for he ran out a case. I found that he hadn't become in a line even out by glass. I have post pead that operation. I can became you and another record of the ration are departed through a rate of the ration are departed to the pre-scalery

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violated, as the law expressly forbids anybody taking that much explosive through the city streets at one time, and also for-bids its being stored anywhere in the city I don't doubt that the offenders will be caught. Inspector Murray of the Bureau of Combustibles has been ordered to make

Detective Sergeant Brady, who placed him under arrest. Brady had a long talk with the prisoner and left the hospital with a satisfied air. He telephoned the prisoner's statement to Capt. Titus and then communicated with District Attorney Jerome. Sergt. Brady refused to divulge what Epps had told him, but said he guessed that somebody was "in for it."

Supt. Hornby of Flower Hospital had a long talk with Epps. Epps told him that

ABOUT TWENTY STICKS, SAYS MR. SHALER Major Ira A. Shaler, the sub-contractor was in his office at Thirty-fourth alrest and Fourth avenue when the accident hap He jumped on a car and was one first to reach the scene. As soon as first to reach the scene. As soon as he god, there he began an investigation to determine for himself the cause of the explosion. He was cut short in this when he was arrested. He said that from all that he had found out the cause of the explosion was still a good deal of a mystery to him.

"There was not a great deal of dynamite terrid at that regist, said he," not more

stored at that point, said he, "not more than twenty sticks or so. It was only what was required for the day's work. I cannot account for the explosion unless a spark

After he had been released on bail Major Shaler had a consultation with his counsel, ex-Judge Henry Howland. Judge Howland said that acting under his instructions his client would not make any statement.

"Major Shaler," he said, "is bewildered and almost in a state of collapse and for the time being will not be permitted to say the time being will not be permitted to say anything for publication. I may say myself, however, that I am told that the explosion was the result of a fire which was unavoidable and which was not due to the negligence on the part of any one."

The Judge said he was not able to say where the fire started or how it was caused.

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the Judge said so many questions were involved that he was not prepared to give an off-hand opinion.

Major Shaler is the son of Gen. Shaler. who was at one time President of the Board of Health. He was Major of the First Volunteer Engineers who saw service in Porto Rico during the war with Spain. He is a graduate of Cornell, class of '84. He has done important contract work on the Acuadust Companission.

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District Attorney Jerome said last nigh that so far as he had been able to find our about 250 or 300 pounds of dynamite were delivered at the powder shanty yesterday

morning.

"All but about one hundred pounds of that, I think," continued Mr. Jerome, "had been used before the explosion."

E. P. Bryan, the general manager of the Rapid Transit Tunnel Construction Company, said last night that he and Mr. McDonald had talked over the matter, but as yet pany, said last high that he and sir, Accounting all had talked over the matter, but as yet had been unable to ascertain the cause of the accident. Mr. Bryan added that he did not believe it was possible that 600 pounds of nitro-gelatine had been stored at the point where the explosion occurred He added that the only person who could give reliable information on that point was the sub-contractor, Major Shaler. S

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